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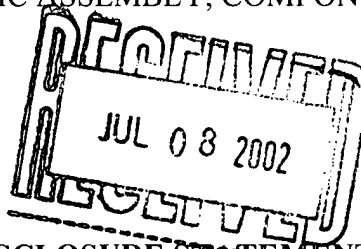
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PRIOR ART DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

In connection with the above-identified application, Applicant hereby attaches U.S. Patent Office form PTOL-1449, including copies of the prior art references listed therein. These references were cited in the International Search Report dated October 11, 2000 of the corresponding PCT patent application. Enclosed also is a copy of the International Search Report and an English translation of the International Preliminary Examination Report. The claims in the present application are believed to be patentably distinguished over these references.

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In compliance with the requirements of 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3), as a concise statement of relevance, as it is presently understood by the individual designated in 35 U.S.C. §1.56(c) most knowledgeable about the content of the information, the undersigned attorney of record submits a copy of the Search Report by a foreign examiner in which the references were cited. The

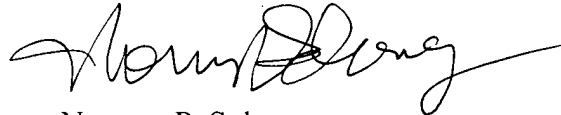
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relevance to the pending U.S. patent application is that the references were cited in a foreign patent application on the same subject matter. However, no independent analysis of the references, the accuracy of the statement of the foreign examiner or the claims of the foreign application under the laws of the country or the United States relative to the subject matter claimed in the present application has been made; the present understanding of the contents thereof by the undersigned being based on the translation of the foreign examiner's comments submitted herewith.

We believe that there are no fees involved with this information disclosure statement. However, in the event there are any fees payable, please charge them to our Deposit Account No. 08-1391.

Respectfully submitted,



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